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Good Afternoon,

Please see the attached follow-up letter from Chairman Robert Smith of the Pala Band of Mission Indians regarding the redistricting of California.

Thank you for your time and consideration, and please contact our office if there are any questions or concerns.

Thank you,

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David Bame, Chair
Independent Redistricting Commission of San Diego County

To Members of the Redistricting Commission:

I write again on behalf of the Pala Band of Mission Indians to respectfully ask you to ensure that the Tribal Reservations in Inland North County be maintained in a North County Supervisorial District.

The independent and self-governing Nations, including the Reservations of Pala, La Jolla, Los Coyotes, Mesa Grande, Pauma/Yuima, Rincon and San Pasqual are currently contained within one Supervisor District. We urge you to maintain their current placement within a North County district.

As I noted in my earlier letter, we have deep and longstanding community and intergovernmental ties with our neighbors in the unincorporated communities and the incorporated cities.

North County has long been a mix of urban and rural, coastal and inland, and it is important that our Supervisor District reflects that dynamic.

Finally, North County surely represents a community of interest. Beyond that, however, for the Sovereign Tribal Reservations in North County, it is important that we continue to be part of a single North County Supervisor District, one that comprises the coastal and urban and rural communities and the transportation corridors, the chambers of commerce, and the network of businesses and organizations that make up North County. These are our historic lands and we ask that you ensure that our voices continue to be heard.

Regarding the Commission's current draft maps, the current Draft Map 13a v.1-6 comes closest to representing a district that would ensure genuine and fair representation for the Sovereign Tribal Reservations of North County.

Thank you,

Robert Smith, Chairman
Pala Band of Mission Indians